

ABSTRACT

Disclosed here is a network storage system for providing many clients with file services. The system is structured to enable layered management of clients so that  
5 a client management device is disposed between a network file device provided with a disk unit and each client while the network file device allocates a disk area to the client management device, sets and manages access privileges of clients while the client management device allocates a disk  
10 area to each client and sets and manages the access privilege of each client.